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SUBJECT: CCMS: 1) SOLAR ENERGY MEMORANDUM OF UNDER-
STANDING, 2) MOU ANNEX, AND 3) FRENCH WISHES CONCERNING
FUTURE CCMS FORMAL DOCUMENTS

REF: A) STATE 114204 B) STATE 169840

1. MFA CCMS OFFICER HAS ADVISED EMBASSY SCIENCE OF-
FICE THAT FRENCH INTEND TO SIGN SUBJECT MEMO. AP-
PARENTLY, FRENCH ARE CONSIDERING SOME SLIGHT CHANGES
IN THE ENGLISH TEXT IN ORDER TO FACILITATE CLEAR
TRANSLATION INTO FRENCH VERSION. WE PLAN TO DISCUSS
THESE POSSIBLE CHANGES ON 24 JULY IN THE
LIGHT THAT THE MOU HAS ALREADY BEEN SENT TO ALL
PARTICIPATING COUNTRIES AND SIGNED BY SEVERAL.
FRENCH HAVE NOT HAD, NOR UNTIL NOW ASKED FOR, AN
OPPORTUNITY TO CONSIDER AN "OFFICIAL" VERSION OF
THE MOU IN FRENCH, ALTHOUGH IT IS ONE OF THE TWO
OFFICIAL NATO LANGUAGES, AS THE MFA REP REMINDS US.

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2. ONCE THE FINAL ENGLISH LANGUAGE VERSION IS

ACCEPTED BY THE MFA, THE FRENCH PROPOSE TO PREPARE A FRENCH TRANSLATION AND HAVE BOTH VERSIONS SIGNED BY THE DIRECTOR OF THE NEWLY FORMED DELEGATION FOR NEW ENERGY, M. COLLE (SEE PARA 4 BELOW). ACCORDING TO THE MFA'S CCMS REP STUYCK-TAILLANDIER, COLLE IS BEING ASKED TO SIGN BECAUSE OF THE IMPORTANCE THE FRENCH GOVT ATTACHES TO THIS AGREEMENT.

3. STRUGGLING TO KEEP THEIR NATIONAL HEAD AFLOAT IN THIS MOU EXERCISE, FUTURE SIMILAR ACTIVITIES ARE BEING PRESCRIBED: THE MFA REQUESTS THAT FOR FUTURE CCMS DOCUMENTS, THE FOLLOWING STEPS BE TAKEN:

A) FIRST, A DRAFT OF THE PROPOSED DOCUMENT WILL BE SENT TO ALL COUNTRIES WHO WILL EVENTUALLY BE ASKED TO SIGN;

B) AFTER ALL PARTICIPATING NATIONS HAVE MADE APPROPRIATE CHANGES AND A FINAL DRAFT IS AGREED UPON, NATO WILL OFFICIALLY PREPARE A FRENCH AND AN ENGLISH LANGUAGE VERSION, SINCE THOSE ARE THE TWO OFFICIAL LANGUAGES OF THE NATO ORGANIZATION;

C) THE TWO OFFICIAL VERSIONS WILL THEN BE SENT TO ALL PARTICIPATING NATIONS FOR FORMAL SIGNATURE;

D) THE SIGNED DOCUMENTS WILL THEN BE DEPOSITED AS DEEMED APPROPRIATE.

THE EMBASSY SUGGESTS THAT AT THE NEXT CONVENIENT OPPORTUNITY, GENERAL GUIDELINES BE AGREED UPON WHICH WILL REFLECT THE PRACTICAL AND THE FRENCH INTERESTS.

(4. THE FRENCH GOVT RECENTLY ESTABLISHED THE DELEGATION POUR ENERGIE NOUVELLE--THE DELEGATION FOR NEW ENERGY (DEN)--WHICH, LIKE ITS SISTER AGENCIES THE

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DELEGATION FOR SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL RESEARCH (DGRST) AND THE DELEGATION FOR ENERGY, IS ATTACHED TO THE MINISTRY FOR INDUSTRY AND RESEARCH. THE ROLE OF DEN IS TO SERVE AS THE R & D COORDINATING AGENCY FOR THE FRENCH GOVT IN MATTERS PERTAINING TO THE DEVELOPMENT OF "NEW" ENERGY RESOURCES, INCLUDING GEOTHERMAL AND SOLAR. AS SUCH, IT WILL WORK CLOSELY WITH THE FRENCH ATOMIC ENERGY COMMISSION AND THE FRENCH NATIONAL RESEARCH AGENCY, THE CNRS, AMONG OTHERS. THE DELEGATION FOR ENERGY WILL CONTINUE TO BE OCCUPIED WITH THE ECONOMIC ASPECTS AND THE ASSURANCE OF AN ADEQUATE SUPPLY OF ENERGY FOR FRANCE'S PRESENT AND FUTURE NEEDS. THE DGRST, AS THE GENERAL RESEARCH COORDINATING AGENCY FOR FRANCE, WILL WORK IN COORDINATION WITH THE DEN.)

5. AS REQUESTED REFTEL B, FRENCH OFFICIALS HAVE BEEN INFORMED THAT U.S. REPS NO LONGER PLAN TO DISCUSS MOU-ANNEX TOPIC AT PALO ALTO MEETING.

6. ACTION REQUESTED: EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE UNCLASSIFIED

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RECEIPT OF TELEGRAPH SUMMARY OF DISUCSSIONS WHICH HARRIS (EPA) HELD WITH STUYCK-TAILLANDIER DURING TDY VISIT TO FRANCE ON 4 JULY. ALSO WOULD APPRECIATE SUMMARY OF FUTURE CCMS PROJECTS UNDER CONSIDERATION THAT MAY BE OF INTEREST TO THE FRENCH.
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